

SYDNEY KINGS & SYDNEY FLAMES HIGH PERFORMANCE CENTRE

WYATT PARK, LIDCOMBE



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document outlines key procedures, strategies and requirements for the efficient and sustainable operation of the Sydney Kings and Sydney Flames High Performance Centre.

This pertains to day-to-day use of the Facility and special events.

2. SITE DESCRIPTION

The proposed new Auburn Basketball Centre is located at Church Street, Lidcombe. The proposal is situated across two lots legally described as Lot 1 DP 581438 and Lot 7046 DP 1065005. It is understood that the process of amalgamation of the two lots is currently underway, and the proposal will sit wholly within one lot.

The proposal forms part of the Auburn Basketball Centre Expansion Project, which will include the construction of a new dedicated training and development high-performance facility which is to cater for a full spectrum of participation and athlete pathway development. The Centre will be primarily used for training purposes by the Sydney Kings, Sydney Flames Basketball teams and the Hoops Capital Academy. In addition to the training and administration of players, the Basketball Centre may host other special events such as Members Days, Open Training Days and other Basketball Events.

The new facility will be located approximately 40 metres south west of the existing Auburn Basketball Centre. The following description is a broad summary of works proposed at this site:

- Two training basketball courts;
- Gym and Recovery Spaces;
- Players Lounge
- Film room for player development and education;
- Retractable spectator seating;
- Sports administration spaces with workstations and associated meeting rooms;
- Associated player and spectator amenities;
- Reception and Kiosk for food and beverages;
- Storage areas, and

- Plant to service the facility.

The site is accessed via vehicle from Church Street with emergency egress to/from Olympic Drive. On-site parking and servicing of the site is provided. The site is also within proximity to Auburn and Lidcombe Train Stations and other public transport routes.

The site is located on Crown Land and is under the control and management of Cumberland City Council. The Auburn Basketball Centre is part of a larger reserve known as Wyatt Park that includes athletics clubs, netball courts, a Scout Hall, a Girl Guides club, a youth centre, off leash dog area, oval, sports fields, tennis courts, an aquatic centre and associated parking. The other facilities located within Wyatt Park will continue to operate during the construction and operation of the Basketball Centre.

3. FACILITY OVERVIEW

Sydney Kings and Sydney Flames High Performance Centre will include:

- Two (2) Basketball Courts – for the primary use of the Sydney Kings, Sydney Flames elite , and Hoops Capital Academy. The courts will also be available for community use outside of the scheduled elite and training programs.
- Storage Facilities – use storage of training equipment to support the elite and training programs.
- Public Bathrooms and Showers – provisions of amenities for general public
- Locker Rooms – for the elite professionals and Hoops Capital Academy personnel
- Gymnasium - for the elite professionals and Hoops Capital Academy personnel
- Medical Treatment Rooms for the elite professionals and Hoops Capital Academy personnel. Not for general public
- Players' Lounge for the elite professionals and Hoops Capital Academy personnel
- Koisk – provision of small kiosk for food and beverages for all users at the facility
- Office Administration and Meeting rooms – to house the Hoops Capital Staff Administration requirements

4. OPERATIONAL HOURS: MONDAY – FRIDAY

Standard operating hours from Monday to Friday at the facility will be 8:00am – 10:00pm. A breakdown of the Facility's forecasted usage is as follows:

- Gym: 8:00am – 6:00pm
- Treatment rooms: 8:00am – 7:00pm
- Basketball courts: 8:00am – 10:00pm
- Offices: 8:00am – 6:00pm

There will be two main operating phases on an annual basis at the Facility: In Season and Off Season.

1. In-Season

- Includes Pre-Season and Regular Season

2. Off-Season

- Kings and Flames Players reduced squad numbers

In-Season:

In-Season forecasted usage of the Facility (Gym, Treatment rooms, Basketball courts):

- 8:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Kings (35pax)
- 12:00pm – 4:00pm – Sydney Flames (30pax)
- 4:00pm – 7:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (40pax/hr)
- 7:00pm – 10:00pm – Community use (Basketball courts only) (40pax/hr)

Parking requirements for the Facility will be at peak during standard business hours Monday – Friday. This is counter to peak demand periods for other facilities in the Park.

Off-Season:

Off-Season forecasted usage of the Facility (Gym, Treatment rooms, Basketball courts):

- 8:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Kings (reduced squad, 10pax)
- 12:00pm – 3:00pm – Sydney Flames (reduced squad, 10pax)
- 3:00pm – 7:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (40pax/hr)

- 7:00pm – 10:00pm – Community use (Basketball courts only) (40pax/hr)

During the Off-Season period, the Facility will remain in use by the Sydney Kings and Sydney Flames for rehabilitation, strength and conditioning, and reduced squad and/or one-on-one basketball training. Reduced users of the Facility during this period are reflected above.

Parking requirements for the Facility will be at peak during standard business hours Monday – Friday.

5. OPERATIONAL HOURS: SATURDAY – SUNDAY

Standard operating hours from Saturday to Sunday at the facility will be 8:00am – 5:00pm. A breakdown of the Facility's forecasted usage is as follows:

In-Season:

- 8:00am – 10:00am – Sydney Kings (35pax)
- 10:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Flames (30pax)
- 12:00pm – 5:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (40pax/hr)

Off-Season:

- 8:00am – 10:00am – Sydney Kings (10pax)
- 10:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Flames (10pax)
- 12:00pm – 5:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (40pax/hr)

6. PARKING SUMMARY

In-Season:

- Monday – Friday estimated parking requirements: 50 vehicles at any one time
- Saturday – Sunday estimated parking requirements: 35 vehicles at any one time
- Special events estimated parking requirements: 150 vehicles at any one time

Off-Season:

- Monday – Friday estimated parking requirements: 40 vehicles at any one time
- Saturday – Sunday estimated parking requirements: 35 vehicles at any one time
- Special events estimated parking requirements: 150 vehicles at any one time

7. STAFF PROFILE

In-Season forecasted staff numbers at the Facility:

- 8:00am – 6:00pm – Offices (15 staff)
- 8:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Kings (15 staff)
- 12:00pm – 4:00pm – Sydney Flames (10 staff)
- 4:00pm – 7:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (6 staff)
- 7:00pm – 10:00pm – Community use (1-2 staff)

Off-Season forecasted staff numbers at the Facility:

- 8:00am – 6:00pm – Offices (15 staff)
- 8:00am – 12:00pm – Sydney Kings (6 staff)
- 12:00pm – 4:00pm – Sydney Flames (4 staff)
- 4:00pm – 7:00pm – Hoops Capital Academy (6 staff)
- 7:00pm – 10:00pm – Community use (1-2 staff)

8. SPECIAL EVENTS

Events Overview:

The Facility will be used for special events such as:

- Sydney Kings Members' Day (max. 400pax)
- Sydney Flames Members' Day (max. 200pax)
- Sydney Kings open training (max. 200pax)
- Sydney Flames open training (max. 200pax)
- Corporate/community basketball events (max. 200pax)
- Social tournaments (max. 150pax)

- NBL scrimmages (max. 70pax)
- WNBL scrimmages (max. 50pax)
- Youth basketball events (max. 200pax)
- Commercial events (max. 400pax)

Schedule and Timing:

Special events at the Facility will encompass a variety of formats and are projected to attract up to 400pax. Events will be staged one to two times monthly. Events are expected to take place during the day or early afternoon.

Parking Requirements:

In an event mode (up to 400pax), we expect up to 150 vehicles.

Waste Management:

A Waste Management plan for special events will be in place. Additional waste disposal stations will be set up in and around the Facility and clearly marked to facilitate the separation of general waste, recyclables and organic materials.

Catering:

The current catering facilities will not support an event of this size. Additional catering equipment will be brought in on a temporary basis where required for larger-scale events.

Safety and Security Measures:

Safety and security of all participants and park tenants is a top priority. Adequate security personnel and emergency response plans will be in place to handle any unforeseen situations, ensuring a secure environment throughout the duration of each event.

See Appendix 1 for Special Event Traffic Management Plan

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Advance Notice and Planning:

A communication strategy will be developed in consultation with Cumberland City Council, and be implemented once the facility is operational.

Prior to any event planning for the proposed event, Hoops Capital will contact the nominated Cumberland City Council's Property Service Team to notify them of the proposed upcoming event, ensuring a minimum of two months' notice is provided. The nominated contact will follow the Council's communication strategy to liaise with the Wyatt Park key stakeholders, informing them of the intended event to ensure proper coordination of the event with other park activities.

Event Management:

An Event Management Planning Committee will be formed internally. This will include management from Sydney Kings and Sydney Flames, a Venue Manager and where appropriate, Council representatives and Security consultants.

We anticipate minimum two month lead time for any events for planning and communications purposes.

Compliance Management:

Recognising the importance of adherence to local regulations, Facility Management and the Event Management Planning Committee will actively monitor and ensure compliance with all relevant regulations, permits, licenses and guidelines set forth by local authorities.

This includes coordinating with Council representatives to obtain necessary approvals and work closely with consultants to align with safety and regulatory standards.

This commitment underscores our dedication to ensuring all events and daily operations at the Facility are conducted with the highest regard for compliance and safety standards.

10. EVACUATION PLAN

An evacuation plan is currently being prepared by Mott MacDonald and will address and meet all requirements.

APPENDIX 1: SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN



7. Special Event Traffic Management

7.1. Event Type

Table 13 provides an appreciation of the type of events that may be held at the HPF, as provided by Hoops Capital Academy.

Table 13: Events & Max Patronage

EVENT	MAX. PERSONS (INCLUDES PATRONS AND STAFF/CONTRACTORS)
Sydney Kings Members' Day	400
Sydney Flames Members' Day	200
Sydney Kings Open Training	200
Sydney Flames Open Training	200
Corporate / Community Basketball Events	200
Social Events	150
NBL Scrimmages	70
WNBL Scrimmages	50
Youth Basketball Events	200
Commercial Events	400

7.2. Schedule and Timing

As can be seen in Table 13, the events that will be held at the HPF will vary in size. With regard to the expected scheduling of these events, the following is noted:

- These events will be staged quarterly (i.e. every three months or four times a year).
- These events may fall on a weekday and weekend and typically during the day or early afternoon. Some events may be held in the evening. Events will be coordinated with Council having regard for other sporting activities held within Wyatt Park.
- Event duration varies between two to five hours.

7.3. Car Parking Demand during Special Events

7.3.1. Special Event Car Parking Demand

As advised by Hoops Capital Academy, it is expected that 150 vehicles (passenger cars) are expected for an event with a maximum attendance of 400 persons. There is expected to be no demand for the layover of bus or coaches during these events.

In consideration of the existing parking demands (Chart 3) generated by other sporting activities throughout Wyatt Park, it can be seen that during most days of the week, that the car parking demand (150 spaces) generated by a 400-person special event can be accommodated within the existing parking provision of Wyatt Park (within the surveyed area). The only exceptions would be during a Monday and Thursday evening whereby, there may be excess demand of 15 vehicles. This is illustrated in Chart 5.

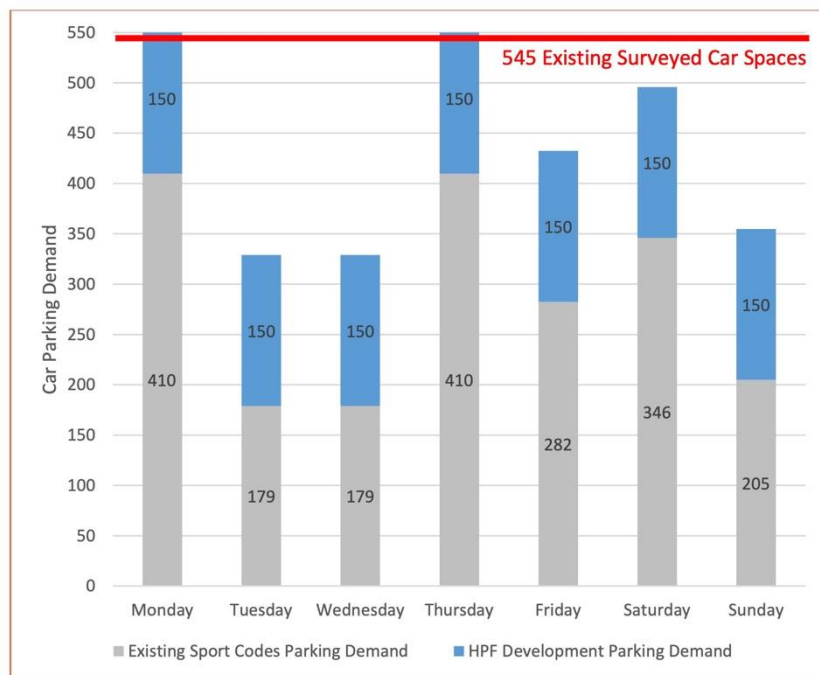


Chart 5: Cumulative Car Parking Demand During Special Events

7.3.2. Sustainable Transport Options

The HPF is well-located within Wyatt Park and, generally equidistantly, between Auburn and Lidcombe Railway Stations, with visitors and staff having several alternative transport options to choose from for journeys to and from the site including walking, cycling, bus and rail. Such uptake in alternative transport options will ultimately reduce reliance on private car transport and consequently, car parking demand.

Effective implementation of a Green Travel Plan (as discussed later in this report) will have a positive impact on the HPF.

7.4. Traffic Impacts during Special Events

Noteworthy commentary of anticipated traffic impacts during special events are as follows:

- The HPF will generate increased vehicle trips though will vary depending on the size of the event.
- Whilst the duration of the events will also differ, it is expected that the traffic will be tidal in nature being, the majority of vehicle trips entering the site during the start of the event and vice versa at the end.
- The worst-case scenario, being a 400-person event, is expected to generate up to 300 vehicles throughout its duration. No more than 150 vehicles / hour is expected to be generated in any one-hour period (i.e. when vehicles arrive to the site at the start of the event or when vehicles depart at the end).
- Having regard for the above, whilst modelling has not been undertaken for a special event scenario, it is noted that the 'typical' operations during a SAT will generate similar vehicle trips, being 148 vehicle trips / hour (a difference of two vehicle trips / hour). The results for the typical 'SAT' scenario show the Olympic Drive / Church Street intersection will operate satisfactorily. It is expected that during special events, the subject intersection will, to some extent, will operate similarly to the 'SAT' scenario. Notwithstanding, it is also expected that the intersection may experience slightly increased delays or queuing due to the tidal traffic flow, however would continue to perform satisfactorily with due regard to the weighted average across the peak hour.
- It should be emphasised that given the available car parking along Percy Street, where it is expected that some parking demand would be catered for, vehicle trips would be more broadly dispersed rather than all vehicles entering and exiting the site via Church Street only. Accordingly, there would be less trips travelling through the Olympic Drive / Church Street intersection, reducing overall traffic impacts on the intersection.

7.5. Management Options

Several operational management options can be considered to minimise the traffic and parking impacts generated by special events held at the HPF. These include but not limited to, the following:

- Prepare a Special Events Plan of Management (or include in the Plan of Management).
- Special events should be held at 'off-peak' times where other sporting activities are not operating within Wyatt Park (e.g. special events should avoid coinciding with social netball on Monday and Thursday evenings).



It has been advised that Hoops Capital Academy will coordinate with Council to ensure other sporting activities are not adversely affected.

- Prior to a special event, provide attendees (and staff) with the GTP and a Transport Access Guide (TAG) to communicate the various alternative transport options when travelling to / from the HPF. The GTP and TAG will also identify the car parking areas attendees may utilise should they travel by private car. Such documents could be freely made available on Hoops website or other communication channels to members.
- As discussed earlier, the special events are expected to be held once every three months and considered to be infrequent. This low frequency of events held by the HPF ensures that the typical operations of other sporting activities held at Wyatt Park are not adversely affected.